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COUNTY ANNOUNCES PUBLIC MEETINGS ON FAIR HOUSING

Monroe County, along with the Towns of Greece and Irondequoit, today announced two public meetings will be held during the month of April to gather input, ideas and concerns from the community with regard to fair housing and community choice. April is national "Fair Housing Month."

The County, in partnership with the Towns of Greece and Irondequoit, is undertaking an update of the *Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice* (AI), which was published in 1996. Monroe County and the Towns of Greece and Irondequoit are required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to periodically update the AI as part of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Programs.

The public meetings will give citizens the opportunity to participate in discussions that will help shape area fair housing and community choice programs for the future.

The Housing Council, a non-profit organization located in Rochester and serving the Monroe County area, was selected through an RFP to conduct an update of the AI this year. The Housing Council will be conducting the meetings and representatives from the County and towns will be present.

Following is information on the meetings. Both locations are fully accessible.

Wednesday, April 14, 2004

Greece Town Hall, Eastman Room 1 Vince Tofany Boulevard (off Long Pond Road, north of Latta Road) 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 29, 2004

Perinton Community Center (Room 212) 1350 Turk Hill Road (north of Ayrault Road) 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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